

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 110

BY SENATORS COLOMB, BARROW, HEWITT, MIZELL AND PETERSON AND
REPRESENTATIVES AMEDEE, CARPENTER, DAVIS, EMERSON,
HILFERTY, HILL, HODGES, HORTON, JACKSON, NANCY
LANDRY, MARCELLE, MORENO, NORTON, SMITH, STOKES
AND WHITE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Ambeka Dave Rajvanshi upon her receipt of a 2016 Women of Excellence
Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category
of High School Women of Excellence and upon being a recipient of a Louisiana
Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship.

WHEREAS, Ambeka Rajvanshi, a graduating senior from Lafayette High School,
is a result-driven, performance-oriented, and high achieving high school senior, who has a
proven record of leadership and service to others; and

WHEREAS, her focus is on biological, healthcare, and medical studies, she has an
interest in improving the delivery and reducing the cost of healthcare to underserved and
at-risk populations in the United States and in other parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, her approach includes observing and researching healthcare systems in
other parts of the world where complex procedures are performed successfully at a fraction
of the cost incurred in the United States, and to cross-adopt the best practices from various
healthcare systems; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve her goal in the healthcare field, Ambeka has
involved herself in a myriad of health-related organizations, activities, and programs and her
health-related achievements include being the Louisiana State HOSA (Future Health
Professionals) Organization's president, having interned at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital
over the summer, and observing over twelve heart surgeries at a government hospital for the
underprivileged in India; and

WHEREAS, she has also spoken to the legislative correspondent to Senator David
Vitter as well as Senator Bill Cassidy about prevalent health concerns in Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, aside from her health-related achievements, Ambeka has also been incredibly involved in her school; this past year she served as her school's Senior Class President, National Honor Society president, Beta Club president, and French Club treasurer and in past years, she was her school's Speech and Debate Team vice president and was in Key Club, Math Club, and Science Olympiad; and

WHEREAS, Ambeka has received numerous awards from speech and debate tournaments, the National AP Scholar with Distinction Award, and a National Merit Scholar Commendation and has been awarded with a "Superior" ranking from the Louisiana Academic State Rally in French Extemporaneous Speaking; and

WHEREAS, along with the above achievements, Ambeka has proven to be quite involved in her community as she has volunteered for over two hundred fifty hours in her high school career at local animal shelters, for the local Autism Society, at nursing homes, for the Lafayette Children's Museum, etc. and even initiated a schoolwide Anti-Drug campaign as well as a schoolwide collection drive for domestic abuse victims; and

WHEREAS, Ambeka also frequently tutors students in subjects such as Anatomy and Physiology, US Government, and Algebra II; and

WHEREAS, Ambeka manages to maintain a 4.0 GPA and is involved in a music and theater group at her school; and

WHEREAS, she plans on attending Texas A&M University this coming fall and will be majoring in biochemistry and hopes that with her skills she will ultimately be able to become a health professional, whether a surgeon, a forensic specialist, or even a gynecologist, she believes that "the possibilities are infinite!" and that regardless of which path she chooses, she will be and do the best she can to succeed; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation created the Women of Excellence Awards to recognize and honor extraordinary women of excellence across the state for their outstanding achievements and contributions; and

WHEREAS, recipients of the Women of Excellence Awards exhibit characteristics of integrity and professionalism, personify excellence in their area of specialty, and are committed to community service to better society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, for 2016, there are four categories for the Women of Excellence

Awards: College Women of Excellence, High School Women of Excellence, Louisiana Hero of Excellence, and Nonprofit of Excellence; and

WHEREAS, the recipients of the 2016 Women of Excellence Awards are being recognized at the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation's Women of Excellence Awards & Scholarships Ceremony and Reception on Tuesday, May 24, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Ambeka Dave Rajvanshi has been named a recipient of a 2016 Women of Excellence Award in the category of High School Women of Excellence and also is a recipient of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship for her accomplishments and personification of excellence in integrity, character, academics, leadership, and community service; and

WHEREAS, Ambeka Dave Rajvanshi merits a sincere and heartfelt measure of commendation for her dedication to excellence and her outstanding accomplishments, and it is appropriate for the Legislature of Louisiana to commend Ambeka Dave Rajvanshi upon her receipt of a 2016 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation and of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend Ambeka Dave Rajvanshi upon her receipt of a 2016 Women of Excellence Award from the Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation in the category of High School Women of Excellence and upon her receipt of a Louisiana Legislative Women's Caucus Foundation Scholarship; does hereby recognize and record for posterity her singular contributions to the citizens of Louisiana; and does hereby extend enduring appreciation for the tremendous pride and honor that she brings to her community and the state of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to Ambeka Dave Rajvanshi.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES